



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

November 20, 2002

In re the Application of

Noriaki KUDO et al.

Group Art Unit: 1711

Application No.: 09/730,823

Examiner: T. Ribar

Filed: December 7, 2000

Docket No.: 108062

For: POLYAMIC ACID VARNISH COMPOSITION AND A FLEXIBLE PRINTED BOARD

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired August 20, 2002, an extension of time for a period of three months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 136437 in the amount of \$920 in payment for:

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

In reply to the May 20, 2002, Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, line 4, delete current paragraph and insert therefor:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Page 2, line 20, delete current paragraph and insert therefor:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claim 7 as follows:

7. (Amended) A flexible printed board having a polyimide insulating layer furnished on a metal foil, wherein the polyimide insulating layer is formed by forming a film of a polyamic acid varnish composition comprising a polyamic acid obtained by the addition polymerization of an aromatic diamine and an aromatic acid dianhydride, and a solvent,

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